Lack of Basic Facilities in private; Recognised Schools in Delhi

1479. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIR-LA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state;

(a) whether Government have made any survey to know which of the private schools in Delhi recognised by the Delhi Administration, lack basic facilities and have failed to comply with the essential conditions laid down by the Delhi Admi nistration for opening the schools; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof, stating the names of such schools and the action being taken or is proposed to be taken by Government against the manage ments of such schools?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) No, Sir. Private Schools are recognised only if they meet the requirements laid down under the provisions of the De'ht School Education Act, 1973 and rules framed thereunder.

(b) Does not arise.

Review of Publication and Distribution of NCERT Text Books

1480. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIR-LA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarrec Question 417 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 8th May, 1990 and state:

(a) whether Government have reviewed the present system of publication and distribution of NCERT text books to remove the shortcomings, if any; if So, what are the details thereof; and

(b) what steps have been taken by Government to remove the shortage of text books and to make the books available with the book sellers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) and (b) The NCERT monitors the system of publication and distribution of text-books published by them from time to time. All the text-books For classes I to XII, except some text books required by schools in October/November, 1990 have been published by the NCERT and released for distribution through its sales outlets. The text-books published by NCERT are distributed through 8 sales emporia of the Publications Division of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India, situated at New Delhi, Calcutta, Bombay, Madras, Patna, Lucknow, Hyderabad and Thiruananthapuram and 22 private wholesale agents (13 for the Union Teritory of Delhi and one each at Ahme-dabad, Banglore, Bhopal, Bhubaneswar, Chandigarh, Guwahati, Jaipur, Jammu and Visakhapatnam) appointed by NCERT. In addition to these, the NCERT has been entertaining orders from schools for supply of text-books directly to them and has also been running a sales counter on the NCERT Campus in New Delhi for the convenience of the students/parents.

The NCERT text-books are printed/ reprinted in sufficient quantities and adequate quantities of the books have been made available to the Sales emporia of the Publications Division of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India as well as to the private wholesale agents for distribution in different parts of the country.

संघ लोक सेवा आयोग द्वारा आयोजित परीक्षाओं के लिए बहु-भाषा प्रणाली पर विशेष समिति का प्रतिवेदन

1481. डा० रत्नाकर पाण्डेय : क्या प्रधान मंत्री 29 मई, 1990 को राज्य सभा में अतारांकित प्रश्न 2135 के दिये गये उत्तर को देखेंगे और यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) संघ लोक सेवा आयोग द्वारा आयोजित की जाने वाली परीक्षाओं के लिये बहु-भाषा प्रणाली आरम्भ करने तथा आयोग द्वारा आयोजित की जाने वाली कुछ परीक्षाओं में अंग्रेजी के अनिवार्य प्रश्न पत्र को समाप्त करने के बारे में विशेषज्ञ समिति द्वारा प्रस्तुत किये गये प्रतिवेदन में की गई सिफारिशों का ब्यौरा क्या है : और

(ख) अंग्रेजी के अनिवार्य प्रश्न पत्र के कब तक समाप्त कर दिये जाने की संभावना है ?

प्रधान मंत्री और कार्मिक, लोक शिकायत तथा पेंशन मंत्री (श्री विश्वनाथ प्रताप सिंह) : (क) और (ख) विशेषज्ञ समिति ने, संघ लोक सेवा आयोग को अपनी रिपोर्ट 11-5-1990 को दे दी थी । संघ लोक सेवा आयोग द्वारा इस रिपोर्ट की अभी जांच की जा रही है ।

Voluntary retirement scheme in Public Sector Undertakings

1482. DR. YELLAMACHILI SIVAJI: Will the PRIME MINISAER be pleased to State:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government had introduced a voluntary retirement Scheme in Public Sector Undertakings- and

(b) if so, what have been the achievements under the said scheme so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI BHAGEY GO-BARDHAN); (a) Government notified parameters of Voluntary Retirement Scheme on 5-101988 for adoption by PSEs.

(b) Necessary information is being collected and would be placed on the table of the House.

Environment damage by British Aided Projects; in India

1483. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

fa) whether it is a fact that the Public Accounts Committee of British Parliament in its recent report has stated that expensive aid projects promoted by Britain in India at a cost of one billion sterling pounds during the last decade have caused extensive environmental damage in the country, especially due to open cast mining at Amlohri Gosundadam and Hindustan Smelter; and

(b) if so, what remedial action is being taken by Government to repair the damage?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NILAMANI ROUTRAY). (a) Yes, Sir. A news item quoting from the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General, British Government, on the above subject has been brought to the notice of the Government.

(b) Adequate measures for land reclamation, afforestation, reclamation of overburden dumps, rehabilitation of displaced persons and control of air and water pollution are being taken for environmental management is the Amlohri Opencast Project.

Strict stipulations for various air and water pollution control measures have been made in case of Hindustan Zinc Smelter. The unit has included pro vision of Electrostatic precepitators and Wet scrubbing system. Advanced waste treatment system is being provided. Large scale afforestation has also been planned.

Candidates who took Civil Services Examination in Regional Languages .

1484. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state what is the percentage of the candidates who took the Civil Services (Main) Examination in any of the Regional Languages and finally selected for various services during each year from 1985 to 1989 yearwise?

THE PRIME MINISTER AND MI NISTER OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH); Information is given in the statement at Annexure. (See Appendix CLV, Annexure No. 48)